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| Title :      | FLEXIBLE BUILDING CONSTRUCTION LAMINATES WITH FASTENERS<br>(AS AMENDED) |                           |                 |

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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

It is agreed that claims 1-3, 10-12, 16-17, 32-39 and 42-60 are allowable. In accordance with M.P.E.P. § 1302.14, the Examiner's reasons for allowance need not set forth all of the details as to why the claims are allowable, and it is not conceded that the stated reasons are the only grounds for patentability of the allowed claims, that any limitations not discussed in the Reasons for Allowance are taught or suggested by the art of record, or that any particular combination of any limitations discussed are necessary for patentability of the allowed claims or other claims directed to the disclosed subject matter. In addition, each claim stands on its own and is independently patentable. The claims are patentable for other reasons—including but not limited to the inventive combination of all of the recited claim elements.

In addition, each claim stands on its own and is independently patentable. Thus, each dependent claim stands on its own and is allowable on its own merits. In particular, each dependent claim is allowable on the basis of a combination of some of the features recited in the dependent claim and its base claim, which combination of features may not include all of the limitations identified in the Examiner's reasons for allowance.

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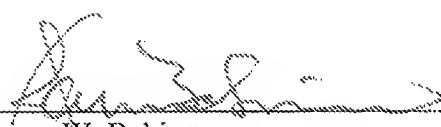
In addition, the Examiner does not assert, and it is not conceded, that the Examiner's reasons have any bearing on the patentability of claims in any other applications directed to the disclosed subject matter.

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Respectfully submitted,

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